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REQUEST FOR STATUS OF PETITION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

The undersigned attorney respectfully requests the status of the Petition to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment filed on June 21, 1999.

In addition, the Applicants request a complete copy of the Office Action dated October 2, 1998, which was never received by the Applicants' attorney. Numerous attempts have been made to obtain a copy of this Office Action from the Patent Office file, but none of these attempts have been successful.

In the event any fees are required with this paper, please charge Deposit Account No. 14-1060.

Respectfully submitted,
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